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To whom it may concern:

We urge that you grant the petition to prohibit the slaughter of downed animals, docket number ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ (98P-0151/CPI)

We write this letter not only because it is almost impossible to move downed animals humanely, but also because we feel these animals are so sick they should not enter the human food chain. The meat is contaminated, full of dangerous bacteria, + might even spread "Mad Cow Disease."

With better care there shouldn't even be downed animals but removing the market (a small, non-lucrative one - albeit contaminated - a bad case of "business as usual") wouldn't cause economic hardship.

Please do the right thing.

Sincerely,

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